

SOL ADAMS ADDS TITLE OF "POPE" TO W. T. C. BRIGGS

Bertie Reader Thinks Preacher Unfair In Use of Epithets

I notice in the last installment of Parson Briggs' "serial story" that he has confessed being a Scribe and a Pharisee, and is also afflicted with a bad case of jitters. I am confident he did not think I was going to make cannon fodder out of his anatomy that scared him so much, but it was to escape the dragnet of the law he wanted to evade and fled over here in Bertie to have his pets doped. The Chowan officers of the law are what gave him a worse case of jitters than Jacob had when he fled from the sight of Esau. This time it was not clanking of gun locks but the rattle of jail locks that dislocated his heart and choked up his throat. Anybody that's as fickle and hissy-sissy as that would never stand to look down a loaded gun barrel, but would either faint stiff or out run a sewing machine. Anybody that will make an 85 yard "kick" against a humane law and cause others to get in the toils of the law as happened in Chowan a few days ago, and flee to safety himself in a worse coward than Benedict Arnold. And in view of this he has the audacity to call me ugly names. "Your actions speak much louder than words" says Shakespeare.

Methodists I've tried to stay on the heart side of the parson but he still persists in using all sorts of epithets that a muddled brain can think of. I have addressed him as Parson, Friend, Preacher, Clergyman, Mr. Briggs and elevated him to a judgeship, still he is peeved at me. Maybe he wants me to kiss him. But as Senator Reynolds said of Senator Morrison, "I'll swear I won't do that."

As a last resort to appease his peevishness I will address him as his "Highness The Pope." Which one of the mossy fellows would he like to imitate, Leo, Gregory, Pious, Benedict or Casander? Since he is badly in arrears with his answers, I'll just assign the Grouchy Casander as his protegee. Now, "His Highness Pope Casander," ought to feel highly elated with this title tacked on his clerical coat tail. As the "vicar of Christ" he ought to be able to stop the sun from running long enough to win a round or two. Fact is he ought to be exhilarated and jubilant, and I am not expecting him to corrupt his brains with any more lies and epithets about me.

Of course, "Pope Casander," I was sure your character fitted in with that of the Scribes and Pharisees, but did not think you had the honesty to admit it. And I may add that anyone who has the stomach to crawl in the hay and bed up with that motley, grizzly, slimy bunch of hypocrites of whom Jesus said: "Scribes, Pharisees, hypocrites, for ye are like unto whited sepulchres, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but within full of dead men's bones and all uncleanness—ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of Hell?" If that's the kind of characters he hugs to his heart, I am not surprised at the hard things he can say about anyone, and as I started to say, with a stomach of the kind bull beef would taste sweeter than tenderloin. Al Smith and the Popes are angles compared with the Scribes and Pharisees.

Now, "Pope Casander," as to those two carbines behind your door, I want it understood I'm not putting on any hair-raising, breath-taking Hollywood gun play stuff with a confessed Pharisee holding the trigger-end of the musket, for that musty bunch spiked the innocent Son of God to a post and should not have the chance to mob some one else. I don't mind exchanging shots with Al Capone, a Dillinger, or a Baby Face Nelson, but I'm not playing any games with a doughty, wormy preacher. I don't think "Pope Casander" could hit a barn door, and if he has to wait for the Lord to answer his prayer to steady his nerves he will never hit a whole barn, but still I am not taking any chances with a self-confessed hypocrite. If I decide to join Hollywood for a "curtain raiser" no Scribe or Pharisee with "the blood of the prophets on their hands" will be my partner. S. B. ADAMS.

Editor's Note: Mr. Adams feels that Mr. Briggs was very unfair in his last article and has paid to have this letter published. He has no ill will toward the preacher and so far as he is concerned the matter is dropped. However, he does ask that Mr. Briggs, if at any time writing about him, to use facts or some semblance of the truth.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Forehand, of Edenton, Route 1, a son, on Tuesday, Aug. 17th.

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Born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Foster, of Ryland, on Thursday, Aug. 13, a son.

J. D. Twine Victim Of Heart Attack

J. D. Twine, 68, prominent farmer of Upper Chowan County, died suddenly of a heart attack early Thursday morning, in Richmond, Va. Mr. Twine had sold the load of watermelons and other produce, and had started to his truck when he was stricken with a heart attack. He had been suffering with his heart for several months.

Funeral services were held at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon at the Warwick Swamp Baptist Church, with the Rev. E. L. Wells, of Edenton, officiating. Mr. Wells was assisted by the Rev. R. E. Walston, minister of the Center Hill M. E. Church. The church choir sang "Sometime We'll Understand," "It Is Well With My Soul" and "Going Down the Valley."

The services were largely attended and there was a profusion of flowers. A pall of lilies and gladioli covered the casket.

Interment was made in the churchyard cemetery.

Pallbearers were: A. T. Perry, L. W. Berryman, E. N. Elliott, J. T. Eason, Jim Dale, Willard Blanchard, W. D. Welch and W. B. Perry.

The deceased is survived by his widow, Mrs. Annie Virginia Twine, and the following sons and daughters: L. E. Twine, Mrs. J. T. Twine, and Miss Myrtle Twine, all of Chowan County; Mrs. C. C. Spivey, Mrs. G. C. Goodwin and Mrs. H. D. Parker, of Portsmouth, Va. Eighteen grandchildren and the following brothers and sisters also survive: William Twine, of Chowan County; Preston Twine, of Norfolk, Va.; Mrs. Jacob Jordan and Mrs. Emma Forehand, of Chowan County, and Mrs. Pattie Boyce, of Hyrtle, Va.

ROCKY HOCK

Miss Gladys Bunch was the supper guest of Misses Emma and Mary Alice Felton, near Beech Spring, on Sunday evening.

Miss Ira Byrum left Friday for her home in Middletown, Pa., after spending the past week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eli T. Byrum.

Mrs. R. W. Leary, Sr., and her daughter, Miss Mary Leary, spent last Wednesday in Hertford with Mrs. Leary's sister, Mrs. Cora Winslow.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bunch and Haywood Bunch spent Tuesday in Ahoskie visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Saunders.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Bunch, of Suffolk, Va., spent Sunday with Mrs. Clara Bunch.

Mrs. Ellen White and Miss Lizzie White are visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Parrish, in Portsmouth, Va., this week.

Miss Edith Bunch is visiting relatives in Norfolk, Va.

Lennie Bunch, of Washington, D. C., is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Clara Bunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hollowell have returned to their home in Norfolk, Va., after visiting Mrs. Hollowell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bunch, for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Bunch and sons are visiting relatives in Richmond, Va., and in New Jersey.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Baffley, of Winfall, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eli T. Byrum, Sunday afternoon.

Miss Sarah Parrish spent the week-end with relatives in Norfolk and Portsmouth, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hollowell and son, from near Cross Roads, visited Mrs. Hollowell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Leary, Sr., Saturday afternoon.

GUM POND

Mr. and Mrs. Will Bunch called on her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nixon, Friday evening.

Mrs. R. W. Boyce, of Edenton, was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. T. Nixon, and Mr. Nixon, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Godsey and family, from near Hertford, spent last Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Bunch.

Mrs. R. C. Lane and two daughters, Dorothy Lee and Lois; Mr. and Mrs. Elton Baker and Mrs. W. S. Tudor, all of Norfolk, Va., visited relatives in Rocky Hock during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bunch called to see Mr. and Mrs. Vance Baker, near Beech Spring, Sunday afternoon.

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Misses Evelyn and Lessie Bunch entertained company Sunday evening.

Mrs. J. R. Bunch, Sr., was the guest of Mrs. J. T. Nixon Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Nixon, Mrs. R. W. Boyce, Misses Bessie and Hettie Nixon were guests of Mrs. Hettie Bass Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Bunch and family spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Bunch.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Nixon and Mrs. R. W. Boyce called to see Mr. and Mrs. James Bunch Wednesday evening.

Grows Tree Seedlings To Plant Next Season

Fifteen million trees, shrubs, and vines are growing in the Soil Conservation Service nurseries at Polkton and Chapel Hill this year to supply the needs during the next planting season of the eight demonstration areas and 20 CCC camps doing erosion control work in North Carolina, according to L. B. Scott, Regional Nurseman of the Soil Conservation Service in the Southeast.

About 280 acres of land have been leased for nursery purposes at Polkton. The nursery at Chapel Hill is located on land belonging to the University of North Carolina. Nearly 110 acres of land are included in the tract. Plantings consist mostly of hardwoods and pine.

Seed planted in the spring was obtained last fall by CCC enrollees, who collected pine cones, locust pods and other hardwood seed.

At planting time last spring fine seedbeds were prepared in the nursery, and the seed was treated to hasten germination. Then the seeds were planted and the seedlings were watered, shaded, and protected from rodents and birds during the first few weeks. Seed beds were kept free from weeds.

If the season is conducive to rapid growth, seedlings will be lifted this fall and distributed to demonstration and camp areas for planting on eroded land.

Trees produced by the Soil Conservation Service nurseries, says Scott, are grown primarily to protect land from erosion. Moreover, the new forests in a few years will produce revenue on land formerly too badly eroded to grow crops.

OAK GROVE

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Windley and children, of Norfolk, Va., returned home last week after visiting relatives here for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Byrum and children are spending this week in Norfolk, Va., with relatives.

Elbert Nixon is at home after spending the past two weeks in Norfolk, Va.

Mrs. Sam Nixon visited Miss Evelyn Parrish Monday afternoon.

Miss Mabel Bunch spent last week in Suffolk, Va., with her sister, Miss Lillian Bunch.

J. W. Nixon is sick with an attack of malaria.

Mrs. John Morris, Mrs. Pete Dail and Mrs. Roy Byrum spent Wednesday with Mrs. Sam Nixon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Privott and children; Mr. and Mrs. Mark White and children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Parrish Sunday afternoon.

Miss Velma Jackson visited Miss Gertrude Nixon Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Sam Nixon went to Ryland Sunday morning to see her mother, Mrs. Ella Mae Ward.

Miss Evelyn Parrish visited Miss Hettie Nixon Wednesday afternoon.

MACEDONIA

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Emminizer visited Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Bass late Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Halsey, from near Elizabeth City, spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wilder.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hassell spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Bass.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Harrell and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Jordan, near Cross Roads, late Sunday afternoon.

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day afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Hassell and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Goodwin late Sunday afternoon.

Miss Mary Davis, from near Hertford, is the guest of Miss Dixie Harrell.

Mrs. Hoskins Goodwin has returned home after spending a few days in Norfolk, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Rip Owens and family, of Portsmouth, Va., spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Less Layton.

Mr. and Mrs. Less Layton, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wilder called on Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Forehand Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Swain have returned home after spending some time in Norfolk, Va.

Mrs. Elton Jordan visited Mrs. G. E. Hassell Saturday evening.

SURPRISE WEDDING

Friends in this section will be interested in learning that Esther Mae Hollowell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hollowell, and Worth Spencer, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Spencer, were united in marriage in Norfolk, Va., Sunday. Both are very popular among the younger set of Edenton, Mr. Spencer having made quite a reputation for himself as a member of the championship football team at Edenton High School, from which he graduated last year. The bride is also a graduate of Edenton High.

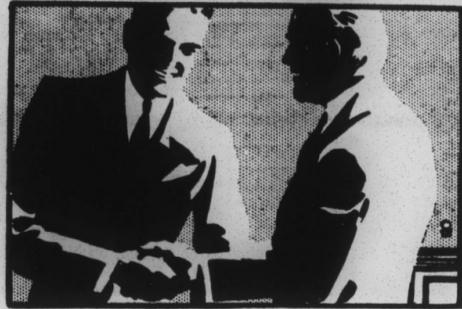
Jailed In Norfolk For Bill At Hotel

Harry D. Holland, bricklayer who worked on the local armory and in Hertford on the new community house there, is under arrest in Norfolk, Va., on several complaints from here, one of which has to do with a \$91 bill at the Hotel Joseph Hewes,

which he neglected to pay before departure. Several checks bearing his name are awaiting payment here, too.

Holland has refused to return voluntarily and on Monday his case was continued to September 17 to await his extradition.

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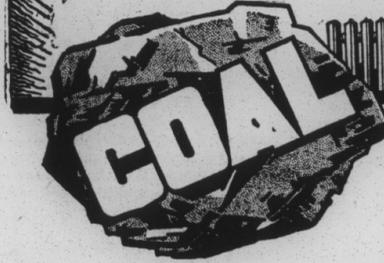
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